GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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FUNDS FOR AAI
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Airports Authority of India has been allocated desired funds in the Budget for 2001-2002 and 2002-2003;

(b) whether AAI propose to include developement and expansion plan for airports of Madhya Pradesh and Gujarat in the next Budget;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government have received Financial Performance Report of AAI for the year 2000-2001;

(e) if so, the details thereof;

(f) whether any estimate regarding revenue earning and utilisation of manpower has been prepared; and (g) if so, the steps taken by the Government for ensuring economic viability of Airports Authority of India?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHRIPAD Y. NAIK)

(a):- The funds outlay during 2001-02 is Rs. 319.49 crores and Plan outlay for 2002-03 is Rs. 996.05. The budgetary support to the Airports Authority of India [AAI] for development of airports at Amritsar and Aurangabad during 2001-02 was Rs. 3.70 crores. During 2002-03, this was Rs. 21.50 crores for Amritsar airport only. The North Eastern Council Grant for projects in North East Region and other crucial areas was Rs. 24.88 crores and Rs. 27.63 crores for 2001-02 and 2002-03 respectively.

(b) and (c):- Rs. 14.25 crores was spent on the projects taken up in Gujarat during 2001-02. The works completed were extension and strengtheing of runway at Ahmedabad airport, Boundary wall at Bhuj airport, Apron and link Taxi-way at Porbandar airport, and construction of new technical block cum control tower and Fire Station at Vadodara airport. Rs. 151.32 crores and Rs. 39.24 crores have been allocated during 2002-03 for development works of airports located in Gujarat and Madhya Pradesh respectively. The major works taken up in Gujarat will include construction of domestic departure block and extension of international terminal building at Ahmedabad airport, extension and strengthening of runway at Bhavnagar airport, construction of new civil enclave at Bhuj airport, construction of new terminal building complex at Porbandar Airport and construction of periphery wall at Vadodara airport. The major projects proposed in Madhya Pradesh are extension and strengthening of runway at Bhopal and Khajuraho airports and construction of new terminal building complex at Jabalpur airport.

(d) and (e):- Yes, Sir. The expenditure is Rs. 1514 crores as against the revenue earned to the tune of Rs. 1873 crores, with a profit before tax at Rs. 359 crores during 2000-01.

(f):- The estimated revenue of the Authority during 2001-02 will be Rs. 2245 crores approximately based on provisional results.

(g):- AAI is economically a viable organization and is consistently making profits.